Privatisation of Power Projects of Maharashtra

7220. SHRI VILASRAO NAGNATHRAO GUNDEWAR: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the projects of Maharashtra proposed to be handed over to the private sector;

(b) the names of the new projects which are under consideration of the government to be given to the private sector;

(c) the names of the places where these are to be located; and

(d) the time by which these projects are likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) to (d). The following power projects have been advertised by government of Maharshtra for implementation by the Private sector during the Eighth Plan period:

1. Khaperkheda coal-based thermal Power project Units 3 & 4	2x210 MW	Nagpur Distt
2. Nagathane CCGT power Project	2x130+150 MW	Raigad Distt.

[*English*]

Doddaballapur Air Station , Karnataka

7221. SHRI G.MADE GOWDA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the amount so far spent on the second phase of Doddaballapur AIR station in Karnataka; and

(b) by when it is likely to be completed?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) and (b). An amount of Rs.5.201.39 lakhs has been spent on Phase-II of 4x500 KW SW Transmitters project at Doddaballapur in Bangalore by the end of February, 1992. The installation of trasnmitters is envisaged to be technically completed by September, 1992.

[*Translation*]

Telephone Factory, Rai Bareli

7222. SHRI CHINMAYANAND SWAMI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are contemplating to close down the telephone factory at Rai Bareli; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and the manner in which the Government propose to provide alternative employment to its employees?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Range of Air Station, Almora

7223. SHRI JEEWAN SHARMA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the present range of the AIR station at Almora in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) whether the Government propose to extend its range; and